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In Re Application of:

YAKHINI et al.Serial No.: **09/938,937**Filed: **August 24, 2001**For: **Use of Unstructured Nucleic Acids in
Assaying Nucleic Acid Molecules**Confirmation No.: **2672**Group Art Unit: **1634**Examiner: **SISSON, Bradley L.**Docket No. **10003516-1**
(TKHR No.: 050113-1100)**RESPONSE (WITH AMENDMENTS)**
SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114(c)

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Sir:

In regard to the above-referenced application, and in response to the Final Office Action mailed on September 15, 2005, Applicants submit the following attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the present amendments and remarks as a Submission Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 to be respectively entered and considered prior to examination.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1078.